

Chief, IAS/TR

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Director of Training

OTR Briefing of Support Chiefs, DD/P

The OTR briefing to the Support Chiefs of DD/P will be held on Thursday, 11 October, at 1500 hours in Rm. 1035, "K" Building. DD/P has submitted a list of questions which they propose to raise at this briefing. I am listing below those which pertain to your area. Kindly be prepared to answer all these questions.

1. "The Language and Area School has added a large number of internal language and area courses. Difficulties arise because Form 73, Request for Internal Training, requires the signature of the language instructor before it is forwarded through normal training channels. It frequently happens that copies are detached by LAS before they reach the OTR Registrar, or else are forwarded directly to the Registrar with the result that the Division or Senior Training Staff has no record of acceptance for the course. It is suggested that a procedure be developed which would eliminate these difficulties."

2. "LAS language courses are listed in the catalogue and OTR Bulletin by name only and with no numerical designation as used by the Intelligence and Operations Schools. This is confusing as indicated by the fact that languages may be taught in units such as Speaking, Reading and Writing. A student may take a complete course or a single portion, such as Speaking. LAS uses a numerical designation such as 1-A to identify the spoken language, but that is not included in the catalogue or bulletin. A great deal of time and effort would be saved if all language courses, either complete or as separate units, carried a numerical designation so they could be properly identified."

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